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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to an Office Action dated July 8, 2002, a response thereto being due on or before January 8, 2003 with a three month extension. As Applicants unintentionally allowed the subject patent application to become abandoned, transmitted concurrently with this Amendment and Response is a Petition to Revive an Unintentionally Abandoned Patent Application. Favorable consideration of the Petition to Revive is earnestly solicited, and Applicants respectfully request that the Patent Office amend the subject patent application as follows.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please enter replacement claims 15-18 as follows:

15. A method for use in an interactive television system, comprising the steps of:
- transmitting a video signal and a plurality of first operation data from a system manager, the first operation data associated with user inputs at a subscriber terminal, each first operation data identifying a particular operation;
 - receiving the video signal and the first operation data at the subscriber terminal;
 - storing the first operation data;
 - receiving a user input;
 - generating upstream data according to the user input; and
 - transmitting the upstream data to the system manager,
- wherein the user input is one of a request for the first operation data and a request for a second operation data.
16. The method of claim 15, further comprising the steps of:
- transmitting the request for the second operation data to the system manager;
 - receiving the request for the second operation data at the system manager; and